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INFO AMEMBASSY TOKYO IMMEDIATE

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C O N F I D E N T I A L PDWING 0055

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TAGS: PFOR PINT CH

SUBJECT: CHOU EN-LAI DEATH

REF: PEKING 0054 (NOTAL)

1. REFTEL LEFT OPEN, SLIGHTLY, THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE PRC MIGHT PERMIT DELEGATIONS FROM ABROAD TO ATTEND CHOU EN-LAI'S FUNERAL DESPITE INITIAL INDICATIONS THAT IT WOULD NOT. MFA HAS NOW FIRMLY MADE IT CLEAR TO THE JAPANESE AND SRI LANKA EMBASSIES THAT NO SUCH VISITS WILL BE PERMITTED. FORMULATION OF CHINESE POSITION AS GIVEN BY FOREIGN MINISTER CHIAO KUAN-HUA TO THE JAPANESE AMBASSADOR (SEPTTEL) ALSO PRECLUDES THE POSSIBILITY OF ANY "CONDOLENCE VISIT" BEFORE THE ACTUAL FUNERAL. UNDOUBTEDLY THE PRC IS ALSO CONVEYING ESSENTIALLY THE SAME POSITION TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS THAT ASKED TO SEND DELEGATIONS OR ASKED FOR FURTHER GUIDANCE ON THE CHINESE ATTITUDE TOWARD SUCH VISITS.
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